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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on June 18, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks. Since this response is filed before the end of the thirty (30) day shortened statutory period, *i.e.*, July 18, 2003, Applicants consider this paper to be timely filed. Nevertheless, should additional fees and a petition be necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 and consider this paper a request for a petition for extension of time.

The amendments presented below comply with the revised amendment format permitted by the Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 10, 2003. Thus, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for amendments made to the claims, specification and drawings of this application.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2. The Remarks begin at page 4.

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